

Bedtime Stories For The Little Ones

UNCLE WIGGILY AND SUSIE'S NEEDLE.

BY HOWARD E. GARDNER

"Dear me! Now I can't go, and I have to tell you a bedtime story. Uncle Wiggily, the bunny rabbit, said this one day as he was getting ready to go out from the bunny house—ground house where he and Nurse Jane were living for a time, with the littlest family of rabbits.

"Where do you want to go, Uncle Wiggily?" asked Nurse Jane.

"I want to go look for an adventure," replied the bunny gentleman, "but I cannot because there is a button off my coat and Nurse Jane is not here just now to sew it on. Neither is your mother here, Susie."

"That was true enough," for Nurse Jane Fussy Wiggily, the bunny rabbit, and Mrs. Littlebit, the rabbit mother, had gone down to the one and two cent store shopping. They had left everything all ready for the breakfast of Susie and Susie's little brother, and for Mr. Longears too.

Breakfast was over, Susie had gone to school, and Uncle Wiggily was about to start out after an adventure when he happened to notice that a button was off his coat.

"And I can never go looking for adventures with a button missing," said the bunny gentleman.

"Oh, I can sew it on for you, if you have the button!" exclaimed Susie.

"I have the button," Uncle Wiggily answered. "But can you sew, Susie?"

"Of course!" laughed the little bunny girl. "That is one of the things taught by the lady mouse teacher in the hollow stump school. Wait until I get my needle and thread and I'll soon have that button sewed on for you."

"Will you have time?" asked Uncle Wiggily. "I don't want you to be late for school."

"Oh, I'll have lots of time," Susie answered most cheerfully.

Laying aside her books, the little girl found her needle and thread, and Uncle Wiggily gave her the button which had pulled loose from his coat.

"Shall I take my coat off, Susie?" inquired the bunny.

"Oh, no," she answered. "Just sit down beside me on this little low stool, and I can sew the button on with my needle and thread as easily as never was."

So Uncle Wiggily sat down beside Susie, and she took the needle through a hole in the button, and she stuck the needle through Uncle Wiggily's shirt, and she sewed the button on his coat, and she began to sew on the button.

"Hurry! I'll be late for school!" cried the bunny.

"I don't want to see you, but I want to feel you!" cried the bad boy.

"I want to feel the mouse on your ears and then I'll nibble same off!" and he looked very hungrily at Uncle Wiggily's ears, did the Fussy Fox.

"Oh dear! What shall I do?" asked the bunny in a low voice.

"Hurry! Leave it to me! I think I can fix this chap!" whispered Susie, she snatched off the thread, by which she had sewed on Uncle Wiggily's button and then, knotting the thread again, and waving her needle in the air, she said:

"Oh, excuse me, Mr. Fox! You have a loose button on your coat. Please let me sew it on for you, as I sewed Uncle Wiggily's! Surely you don't want to go around with a loose button on your coat!"

"Dear me! Of course not!" gurgled the Fox, ambitions and flustered like. "I didn't know I had a loose button! Can you sew it on?"

"Oh, yes," said Susie sweetly. "Please sit down in this chair. You are so tall I can't reach up to you."

So the Fox sat down in a chair, and as he looked over at Uncle Wiggily the bad chap said:

"Don't worry! I'll get your mouse as soon as this button is sewed on!"

"I wish it would never be sewed on, then," thought the bunny gentleman, and he wondered what Susie was going to do.

In a moment flashed the needle of the little bunny girl. She was doing

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THE UNCOUTH STRANGER AND THE Dainty DINNER

THAT EVENING

TELL MRS. DUMBELL-DOUGH IN HERE STUPID!

ALL THE FANCY FOOD TOOLS SWAM HAD THE POOR GUY DIZZY. HE WAS SLOWLY STARVING TO DEATH TRYING TO GET A TASTE OF THE BROILED SQUAB ON TOAST WITH THE AID OF THREE KNIVES AND A COUPLE OF TRICK FORKS. EG FIGURED OUT HE WAS LICKED.

ONE DAY, HOWEVER, OUR DELAPIDATED HERO STAGED A REAL RESCUE ACT AND GRABBED OFF A BONA FIDE INVITE TO A SWELL SOCIETY SPREAD

BUT—SUDDENLY REMEMBERING THE SALVATION ARMY SLOGAN "A MAN MAY BE DOWN, BUT HE'S NEVER OUT," EG MONT SEIZED THE SQUAB IN HIS MITTS AND SOON HAD OLD KID HUNGER BEATEN TO A FRAZZLE.

OH SAVE HER!

YOU MUST COME TO DINNER SO THAT MY HUSBAND CAN THANK YOU ALSO!

Beauty Chats By Edna Kent Forbes

The Day's Mail.

F. O.—If your hair falls out, you probably need a good hair tonic to be used every day, and a daily massage of the scalp with the finger tips. This will stimulate the circulation and, by inducing the flow of healthy new blood into the scalp, will encourage the growth of new and stronger hair.

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Something to the coat of the Fox who sat in a chair.

All of a sudden Susie jumped up and cried:

"Come on, Uncle Wiggily! Run, and I'll run, too!"

"Yes, and so will I!" I'll run after you and I'll get home from each of you!" howled the Fussy Fox.

"No, you won't! You can't run. I sewed you fast to the chair!" cried Susie, and so she had. While she was pretending to sew a loose button on the coat of the Fox she was doing that at all—she was sewing him fast to the back of the chair!

And when Uncle Wiggily and Susie ran out of the burrow the Fox couldn't get up because he was fast to the chair and he couldn't get the sewed fast chair through the door. And then a policeman dog came and arrested him and took him away. So the Fox didn't get Uncle Wiggily and Susie after all and Susie wasn't late for school. And if the clothes brush doesn't try to put a hat on the head of cabbage to make it look like a snow man in a rain shower, the next story will be about Uncle Wiggily and Susie's shamble. Copyright, 1918, by McClure Newspaper Syndicate.

Texas & Pacific R. R. Revenue Increases

Dallas, Texas, Feb. 10.—It is shown by a report just issued by the Texas and Pacific railway that gross operating revenue for 1917 was approximately \$36,100,000. Gross operating expenses for the year were \$23,300,000, leaving \$12,800,000 net operating revenue.

In 1915, the gross operating revenue was \$13,500,000. The gross operating expenses for that year were \$12,900,000, and the net operating revenue, \$600,000.

The last year broke records with respect to volume of business. The Texas oil fields were responsible for the greater portion of the increase, while general prosperity and large crops took care of the balance.

DRUGGISTS REFUSE TO SELL LIQUOR UNDER NEW LAW

El Paso druggists, at a recent meeting decided they would under no consideration handle whiskey. One druggist explained that, with federal law concerning the drug trade and whiskey as it is, liquor handling would be a constant source of grief to the druggist and that they would be liable for the accidental loss of as little as one ounce.

It is possible that the disposition of liquor for medicinal purposes, following the refusal of the druggists to handle it, will be made directly through the physicians. One physician stated, however, that with the restrictions for handling the liquor as drastic as they are that it is possible that the physicians may follow the example of the druggists.

Hogwallow Locals

I believe I'll go home

LAB HANCOCK played quite a clever ruse on a rabbit this morning, and this one thing may launch a boom for him for our next contest. He went out and struck the trail of a rabbit near the pig pen, and tracked him for several miles, when the little animal finally took refuge in a hollow log. Lab sat down to wait and then, upon looking back into the log, he found the rabbit was doing the same thing, whereupon Lab rose and said out loud that he believed he would go home. This remark of course was intended to fool the rabbit, and sure enough, believing Lab was gone the rabbit stuck his head out of the log and was captured by our wily fellow-townsmen.

Sidney Rocks says it's a wonder to him how some people keep their ignorance after expending it every time they go out.

The Improvement association met last Friday night. The minutes of last year were read and approved.



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